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OF LIPOSOMES AND
MYCOBACTERIAL LIPIDS FOR
IMMUNIZATION
COMPOSITIONS AND
VACCINES
Examiner : Nina Archie
Group Art Unit : 1645

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 1, 2007, Applicants elect, without traverse, to proceed with examination directed towards Group I, identified by the Examiner as encompassing Claims 1-2, 4, 6-11, and 13-15, drawn to an adjuvant comprising a cationic surfactant and an antigenic component and a delivery system. Pursuant to linking claim practice and for the purpose of examination only, Applicants elect the species DDA, as the surfactant.

Applicants note that Claims 1-11, and 13-15 read on the elected invention. Applicants also reserve the right to rejoin Group II pursuant to the rejoinder doctrine since Claim 12 is directed to a method of making the elected composition.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.